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Hot ashes, pine partition and paper-filled dumbwaiter will surely send the building at 118 W. 134 St. and the people in it up in smoke if the violation isn't removed.

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WORLD EVENTS

British Workers Rap Troop Scabs

LONDON, Jan. 13.—British troops took over the jobs of 14,000 striking truck drivers today and nearly 10,000 other workers immediately walked out in protest. More sympathy strikers were leaving their jobs by the hour.

The crisis extended into the Labor Cabinet. High government sources said Prime Minister Clement Attlee threatened to resign last Friday in an argument with three of his trade union Cabinet ministers, who opposed the use of troops.

The Cabinet's difference of opinion, it was said, had been abated, not settled, and the almost universal resentment of labor when the troops started to work this morning probably would bring it into the open again.

When the troops started work at Smithfield, London's largest meat distribution center, this morning

2,300 helpers laid down their tools. Three thousand quit at Covent Garden, the produce center, and more than 1,000 at Billingsgate, the main fish distribution center.

STRIKE THREATENED

Twelve thousand London stevedores threatened to strike if troops start moving tons of perishable foodstuffs on the docks. Subway, bus and streetcar drivers and conductors openly discussed their hard feelings, but so far had made no official move toward calling a sympathy strike.

Sympathy strikes broke out in Manchester, Bristol, Birmingham, Ipswich and Southampton. In Southampton, stevedores refused to load a trans-channel ship with meat because "blackleg" drivers had brought the meat to the dock.

No violence had been reported, although police—whose leaves had been cancelled—rode the 1,000 food trucks soldiers were driving and guarded the markets.

There was no picketing, as such. Instead, knots of strikers stood around at the various markets, laughing at the soldiers.

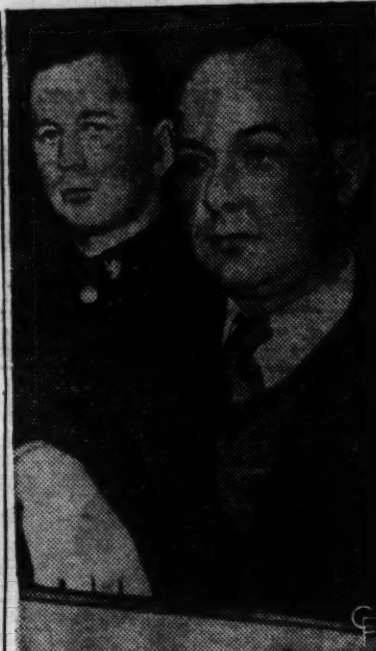
UNION PROTEST

Joe Richards, chairman of the meat section of the Smithfield branch of the Transport and General Workers Union, issued a statement after a meeting at Memorial Hall:

"On the introduction of troops we feel that as trade union members with deep trade union convictions it would be impossible for us to continue to remain at work while Blacklegs in uniforms are doing the work of the striking lorry drivers," it said.

"We therefore resolve that we will not return to work until all troops throughout Great Britain are removed from what they may feel is an unpleasant task and in which they are now engaged. We further call upon every organized trade unionist to act in exactly the same way."

KUOMINTANG HIGHWAY between Tientsin and Peiping remained cut by Chinese Communists in see-saw fighting.



NAZI CHIEF faces Norse justice in trial at Oslo. Oskar Hans is accused of directing the execution of 76 Norwegians during the Nazi occupation. He ordered the deaths of 312 Norwegians.



WORLD BRIEFS

See Britain Barring Polish Recognition

GREAT BRITAIN may refuse to recognize the Polish Government that results from next Sunday's general elections, a Foreign Office spokesman said. The British-sponsored Polish Peasant Party is expected to lose—largely because it has opposed the popular government program of land distribution and nationalization.

U. S. DIPLOMATS have been following a policy of "cooperation with the most reactionary elements in Eastern Europe . . . to get ready for a war with Russia," Former Secretary of Commerce Henry A. Wallace charged in a radio debate Sunday night.

JAPANESE SOLDIERS were ordered in February, 1945, to supplement their rice rations by eating the "flesh of the enemy," according to documents introduced at the Tokyo War Crimes Trial. Affidavits from Japanese soldiers stationed on Pacific Islands described the cannibalism.

BURMA'S FUTURE is being discussed in London. A Burmese delegation, which conferred with Prime Minister Attlee and Lord Pethick-Lawrence, is demanding

Giuseppe Saragat, leader of the Socialist splitters' group, resigned as President of the Italian Constituent Assembly yesterday.

Saragat, who led a minority out of the Socialist Party Saturday to protest the Communist-Socialist "Unity of Action Pact," announced his resignation in a letter to Communist Giuseppe Terracina, Vice-President of the Assembly.

Palmiro Togliatti, secretary of the Communist Party, warned that Premier Alcide De Gasperi's Government will be asked to clarify its program as soon as the Premier returns from the United States.

Togliatti demanded that the government immediately nationalize "monopolistic industries in general, especially in the field of electric energy. The government," he said, "must defend the Republic and de-

mocracy in Italy in a more efficient manner."

Speaking at a Communist rally near Florence, he declared that "it would be better if there should be no government crisis."

In Milan, however, an assembly of Italian Republicans announced they will support a move at the party's national convention, which opens Thursday at Bologna, to withdraw their Cabinet Ministers unless the government accepts the party's nine-point program for internal policy.

Republicans have two representatives in the coalition cabinet; Cino Bocciarelli, Minister without Portfolio, and Cipriano Facchinetti, Minister of War. Republican demands include an immediate change in currency and unification of the three armed forces under a single "Ministry of Armed Forces."

British Raid Jews in Haifa

Troops of the British First Division conducted intensive raids and searches of the Jewish community in Haifa yesterday following the bombing of the police headquarters in the city. Ten Jews were held after British authorities grilled 872 Jews.

All traffic was checked throughout the city.

According to United Press a purported announcement of the underground Irgun Zvai Leumi declared in a radio broadcast: "We are fighting against British occupation of our country. . . In this struggle we know no trace."

British authorities believe the Haifa bombing was carried out by members of still another underground organization — the Stern group.

Meanwhile, Sir Henry Gurney, acting high commissioner, held a conference with David Ben-Gurion, chairman of the Jewish agency. According to UP the talk centered on measures of ending violence in Palestine.

Jamal El Hussein, chairman of the Arab Higher Committee also conferred with Gurney yesterday and according to UP advised him formally that his group accepted the invitation to attend the London conference on Palestine Jan. 21.

an interim government with full powers, elections for a constituent assembly instead of a legislature and complete independence within one year.

PRESIDENT TRUMAN talked by phone to Gen. George C. Marshall in Hawaii. It was indicated Marshall was preparing to break off his vacation and hurry to Washington to take up the State Secretaryship.

NUERNBERG COURT indicted 17 officials of the Nazi SS (Elite Guard) who forced slave and convict laborers to make goods in SS-owned factories, on charges of conspiracy, war crimes, crimes against humanity and membership in SS.

How Many Didn't Win

MEXICO CITY, Jan. 13.—A check for 10,000,000 pesos (\$2,000,000) was handed to Hernan Pedrero Arguello of Chiapas State today by the director of the national lottery. Arguello held the winning number in the biggest lottery in Mexico history.

BRAZILIAN DIARY II

Some Brazilian Communist Leaders

By Joseph Starobin

RIO DE JANEIRO.

The most remarkable thing about Brazil is its people and the most remarkable people are the Communists.

Sure, it is fantastic to fly a whole night and a whole day to reach Rio, to fly over jungles and empty valleys, and then to fly for hours more over the prairies of the south that stretch into Argentina. Certainly, the beach at Copacabana, where the Americans swim, is one of the loveliest in the world, though the Americans do not know that back in 1922 Brazilian heroes gave their lives on these beaches in the famous attempt to hold the Copacabana fortress.

Yes, on every hand, there are contrasts in Brazil—the feudalism which grips 70 percent of its people who live on the land, the illiteracy which grips an equal number. Everything is immense about this great nation which is larger than the United

States and has a third of the population of Latin America, 40,000,000.

But most remarkable of all are the Communists of Brazil, especially its new leaders with whom I spent 10 days here, watching them tackle the job of consolidating their party—the party of the people.

They had just completed a meeting of their national committee in mid-December. Now they were all about to go into the countryside for the state and municipal elections. In September, they got 600,000 votes. Now they were aiming for a million.

A year and a half ago, they had 4,500 members, having just emerged from illegality. Today they have 140,000 and want 200,000 quickly. Today they have seven daily papers in every major state, and Tribuna Popular in Rio sells 60,000 a day with ease.

They have difficult problems of consolidation, of education, of organization. They lack experi-



JORGE AMADO
Leading Brazilian Writer

enced leaders for their local organizations, men and women who can shake off the mentality of

the underground quickly.

They have immense tasks in helping to build the trade union movement, which is taking shape slowly. The Brazilian workers are mostly from the small industries. They do not have a trade union tradition like ours. They are accustomed to rely on the government or political parties for the improvement of their conditions. And they are still under the thumb of the Ministry of Labor.

These, and a thousand other problems, are being tackled with a furious energy, humility and confidence.

Take Diogenes Arruda, the national organizational secretary. He has black hair, a domed forehead and a fierce black mustache, and he speaks in the accents of the north, of Para.

A man of 31, it was Arruda who built the underground Communist movement after so many others had failed. Arruda is a precise speaker and thinker; his appearance is severe. And yet it

was something to watch him dance on Christmas Day at a small festa given by the Communist weekly, Classe Operaria. Nobody excels Arruda in the famous "frevo" of the north.

How to describe all the others? They are in their very early thirties. Very casually, they will tell you that they spent perhaps four years or six years in jail.

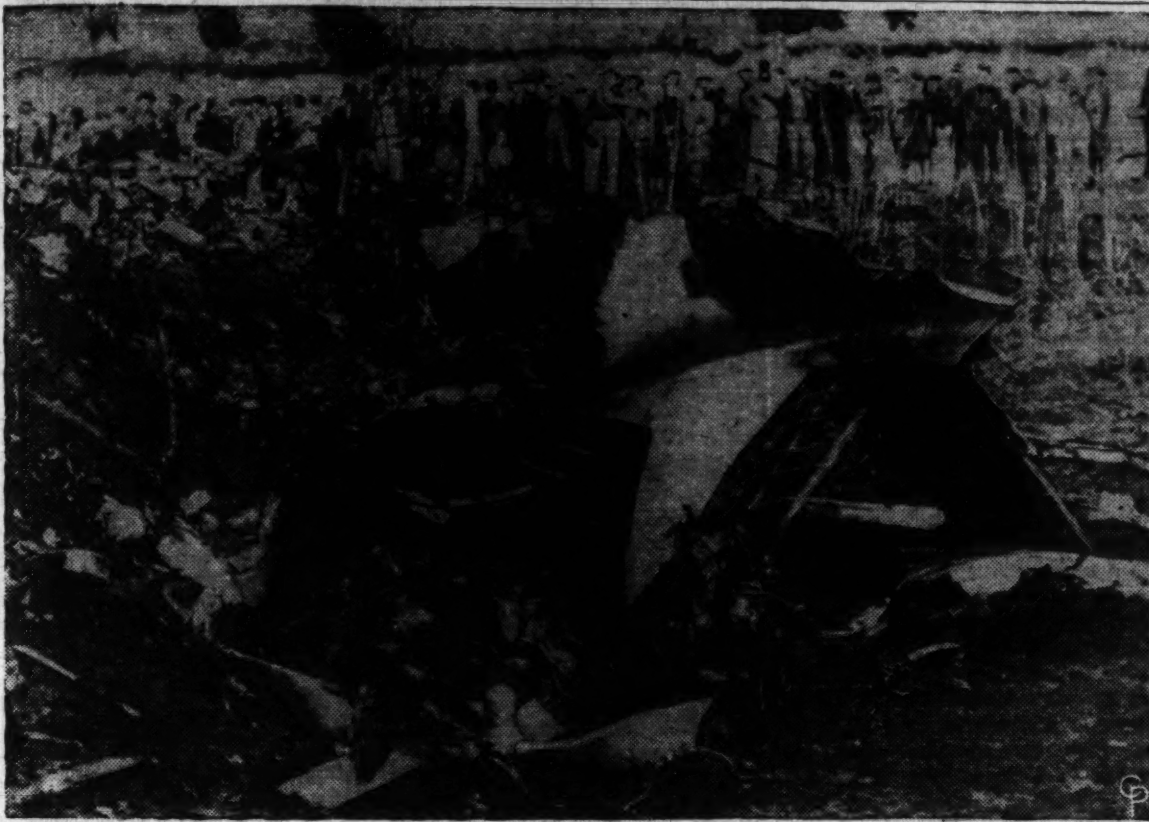
Some of them like Agildo Barata (now the business manager of Tribuna Popular) were outstanding military men. Barata, a short, rollicking fellow, led the famous Third Regiment in the 1935 revolt, and his friends kid him that he was a "small vial of poison" to the reactionaries.

Many of Brazil's Communists were leaders of the November, 1935, uprising. Many of them were air force pilots like the national treasurer, Benedetto Carvalho, who spent most of his six years in prison on the lonely Fernando do Noronha island, two

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LABOR and the NATION

Mine-Writ Judge Broke Law--CIO



Charred Wreckage: Remains of the twin-engine plane which crashed on a rain-soaked highway near Galax, Va., taking 13 lives. Spectators view the twisted hulk. Only passenger to survive the crash was Wm. E. Keyes, Jr., of Boynton, Fla., who suffered shock and burns.

Urge Miss. Court to Delay Execution of Negro Youths

JACKSON, Miss., Jan. 13.—The Mississippi Supreme Court has been petitioned to delay the execution Friday of two Negro children, James Lewis, 15, and Charles Trudell, 16, condemned to die for allegedly murdering Harry McKey, a white Wilkinson County sawmill operator, pending an appeal to the United States Supreme Court.

Late Sunday night, Gov. Fielding Wright, who had previously granted stays of execution on Dec. 11, for a personal investigation, issued a vicious special statement denying further clemency and attacking those who had written floods of letters in the boys' behalf.

NAACP AIDS DEFENSE

"Those Negroes are confessed murderers," Wright declared. "My patience is now exhausted with outside meddlers. . . . I am serving notice now on these agencies and self-styled do-gooders to lay off and attend to the washing of their own dirty linen. We are capable of handling our own affairs and do not need any advice from them. . . ."

Tom Ellis, Clerk of the Mississippi Court, said that he had talked by phone to attorney W. D. Coleman, retained by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, and was informed that the request petition was placed in the mail, and that it should reach the

state court by tomorrow. The Chief Justice of the court must decide whether there is a reasonably good federal question involved. If he so decides, a stay of execution will be granted and the appeal sent to the U. S. Supreme Court to decide the boys' fate.

The boys were convicted of the slaying on Feb. 23, 1946, of Harry McKey of Wilkinson County. They were indicted on the morning of March 12. On the afternoon of the very same day the boys were tried and convicted by a Circuit Court after they had entered pleas of not guilty just 17 days after the murder.

Four days later, on March 16, Circuit Judge R. E. Bennet of Meadville sentenced them to die in the electric chair on April 26. The case was appealed to the Mississippi Supreme Court, which overruled a suggestion of error in the trial, and the date of execution was reset for Dec. 13. In the meantime, the Governor began receiving the pleas for the boys' lives, and two days before the date set stayed the executions

until Jan. 17.

Trudell was 16 yesterday, while Lewis was 15 last August. If the appeal petition is turned down, the boys will be executed in the state's portable electric chair in the basement of the Wilkinson County Jail at Woodville between midnight and daylight Friday.

Red-Baiting Scored at CIO Food Union Meet

By Art Shields

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 13.—Donald Henderson, president of the CIO Food and Tobacco Workers Union, scored the employer tactic of red-baiting yesterday noon as he opened its sixth national convention here.

Many of the 175 Negro and white delegates came from newly organized plants in the South, where FTA has won 62 factory elections since the CIO's operation Dixie began. The union now has 102,000 workers under contract, a 75 per cent gain since the 1944 convention.

It is necessary to realize that reaction is on the march, Henderson pointed out. Big Business is determined to crush the labor movement if it can. The offensive has already begun. In this offensive the employers are putting their hope in "red-baiting."

"They hope," he continued, "to set worker against worker. They intend, if they can, to create disunity within the CIO, for they realize that nothing could aid them any more."

MUST ANSWER

The workers must answer these tactics of division by firmer unity against the employer.

"I for one," he went on, "am much more concerned with obtaining the passage of the Pepper bill providing a minimum of 65

By Rob F. Hall

WASHINGTON, Jan. 13.—Federal District Judge T. Alan Goldsborough and not John L. Lewis and the United Mine Workers violated U.S. law in last November's coal strike, the CIO said today in a brief filed with the Supreme Court.

The high court will hear arguments in the case beginning at noon, in preparation for a decision on whether Goldsborough acted legally in granting to the Federal government an injunction demanding Lewis call off the strike. If Goldsborough violated the law, then Lewis and the miners were within their rights in refusing for two weeks to end their strike, and the fines of \$3,500.00 levied against the union and Lewis will probably be cancelled.

Sen. Murray Hits Monopoly's Threat to U.S.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 13.—A charge that the concentration of wealth in the hands of giant monopolies "is the greatest threat to the survival of free enterprise," was made in the Senate today by Sen. James Murray (D-Mont) during debate that crossed party lines.

Center of the argument was a GOP move for continuance of two special committees—small business and war investigating—which drew a charge from Sen. Charles Tobey (R-NH) that it smelled of machine politics and the spoils system in the nation's top legislative body. Murray, who had been chairman of the small business group, was urging its continuance.

Tobey argued the reorganization act streamlining Congress did not provide for establishment of special committees. Because special committees, such as the war investigating group, bring extensive publicity to their chairman, they are prizes that can be controlled by "either a single person or a small oligarchy," Tobey said.

He was backed by Sen. Wayne Morse (R-Ore) and several Democrats who said special problems should be handled by sub-committees of standing committees. Special groups make for inefficiency, they asserted.

Murray said the small business committee should continue because it had been unable to complete its work.

The UMWA and the American Federation of Labor filed their briefs several days ago and their attorneys will open arguments in support of their appeal from the decision of Judge Goldsborough. The CIO's brief is filed as "a friend of the Court." The National Lawyers Guild has also filed a "friend of the Court" brief in support of the miners.

USED INJUNCTION

In ruling against the miners last November, Judge Goldsborough maintained that although the Clayton and Norris-LaGuardia acts forbid issuance of injunctions in labor disputes, these laws do not apply to the government. And since the government was operating the coal mines the injunction demanded by the government was lawful. In the opinion of Goldsborough, the miners had no other choice but to obey it.

The CIO brief argues that the government's entire case rests upon a misinterpretation of the Clayton anti-trust act and the Norris-LaGuardia anti-injunction act. It contends the evil of anti-labor injunctions, which the Norris-LaGuardia act was enacted to correct, almost always arose through action of the government itself. The purpose of the act, it said, was to protect workers from the power of the state exercised in the interests of management.

The brief cites the three great strikes broken by federal injunction. They were the Pullman strike of 1894, the coal strike of 1919 and the Railroad Shop strike of 1922. In all three, the strikes were national in scope. And, in all three cases, the government itself used injunctions to break the strikes.

The restraining order issued by Judge Goldsborough violated the U. S. Constitution, the CIO said.

"The entire record in this case is pervaded with what can only be called a callous disregard of procedural and constitutional rights of the defendants," according to the brief. "The court seemed content to gloss over the problems presented by the Constitution."

The restraining order, therefore, "could be disregarded with impunity" by the miners and Lewis, the CIO said.

Minor to Speak At Akron Rally

AKRON, O., Jan. 13.—The 23rd anniversary of the death of V. I. Lenin will be commemorated at a mass rally Thursday, Jan. 30, at the Akron YWCA, 146 S. High St. Robert Minor, national leader of the Communist Party, will be the main speaker.

Statesman Ford

By Alan Max

Henry Ford, II, proposes that tenure of office for union officials be limited by law to two years. To even things up, he'll probably accept an amendment limiting office for corporation presidents to 2,000 years.



NATIONAL SCENE

Huge Sugar Black Mart In N. Mexico Smashed

A BLACK MARKET in sugar involving 1,044,000 pounds, the largest loot yet discovered, was reported smashed yesterday in Albuquerque, N. M.

CIVIL AERONAUTICS authority officials yesterday said "pilot failure" was responsible for a plane crash which killed five persons at Miami, Fla., Sunday. The officials said one pilot tried to land against a red light from the control tower and rammed another plane mid-air.

A FLYING FORTRESS "drone"

operated by its B-17 mother ship took off yesterday from Elgin Field, Florida, on an 11-hour practice bombing flight to Washington.

THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Court of Appeals yesterday affirmed the conviction of Mayor James M. Curley of Boston and his two associates on charges of mail fraud. The three were charged with operating a combine which obtained more than \$60,000 from clients by claiming it could obtain war contracts for them.

NEW YORK

Dangerous Fire Hazard Found at 118 W. 134 St.

By John Hudson Jones

It would take all the pages of the Daily Worker for a month to list the fire hazards and violations in Harlem houses, but at 118, 120, and 122 W. 134 St. there are particularly dangerous conditions existing, which highlight the whole situation. The building

Williamson Will Talk At Lenin Rally



John Williamson, national labor secretary of the Communist Party, will deliver a key address on the Truman-Republican 80th Congress drive against labor at the Lenin Memorial Meeting in Madison Square Garden Jan. 22. Other speakers will be William Z. Foster, Bob Thompson, the noted scientist J. B. S. Haldane, and Albert E. Kahn, anti-fascist writer and co-author of "The Great Conspiracy Against Russia."

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BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY FOR VETS ONLY
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at 118, which has already had one fire on an upper floor, has an unused dumbwaiter piled high with all manner of refuse—newspapers, tinder-dry pieces of wooden lathes, cardboard boxes and rags. Directly next to this is a 7x6 wooden partition against which hot ashes from

Davis to Introduce Fire Hazard Bill

Councilman Benjamin J. Davis will introduce a resolution in the City Council today calling for investigation of his charges made Sunday at Solidarity House that the Fire Department has reduced its Harlem personnel.

"The Fire Department," Davis said, "has reduced all companies in Harlem, and the extra firemen are being transferred to Park and Fifth Aves. Three of the companies which were double-staffed have been recently reduced to single staffs."

NYC Bd. of Ed. Asks 175 Million

The largest budget estimate in the history of N. Y. city's public schools was announced Sunday by the Board of Education. The proposal calls for \$175,075,182 to be spent during the year 1947-1948 and is \$17,234,000 more than the current budget.

Although \$940,000 was designated for "added compensation for substitute teachers in day school" the Board did not act on pay increases for regular teachers. The \$350 annual cost-of-living bonus for teachers will be continued.

The budget proposal, submitted by superintendent of schools John E. Wade, will allocate \$4,000,000 of the sum for building repairs.

Rent Control Parley Called for Thursday

A citywide conference to launch emergency action on rent control, housing and evictions will be sponsored by the Emergency Committee on Rent and Housing this Thursday, at 7:30 p.m. at the Willkie Memorial Bldg., Alfred K. Stern, chairman, announced today.

Carver School Growing

The fund-raising drive of the Carver School, inter-racial institution located at 57 W. 125 St., is off to a promising start, director Gwendolyn Bennett announced yesterday after the school's successful dance last Saturday night. The dance was given by the staff of Camp Unity for the school's benefit, in recognition of the work the Carver group has accomplished.

Miss Bennett announced that 6,000 persons have taken advantage of Carver's educational opportunities over the past three years. In addition, she said, "through special events, forums and lectures, we've reached out to 10,000 New Yorkers. And now we need a bigger school to meet growing demands."

Emphasizing the school's larger perspective is its new series of classes announced this week. These include a course on "Marxism and the Negro" on Friday nights at 8:30,

the coal-burning furnace are shoveled.

Sooner or later live coals are going to be left in those ashes and either the wall or the refuse which is just a few inches away will ignite. The building is the usual rotten, ramshackle affair. The rest is easy to imagine. A fire in the dumbwaiter caused the 129 St. fire!

The rear airshaft between 120 and 122 is lined with about a foot of paper and refuse. This is piled against six boarded up windows and doors. A lighted cigaret or match from a window would send it up with a whoof. The pine boards over the windows and doors would ignite, burn into the cellars and there find other refuse to feed on.

Take notice, Mayor O'Dwyer, District Attorney Hogan and Building Housing Commissioner Wagner and Fire Commissioner Quayle: Harlem is a tinderbox. The examples cited above are just two among thousands. If the landlords aren't interested in protecting their tenants, it is your responsibility to protect the citizens.

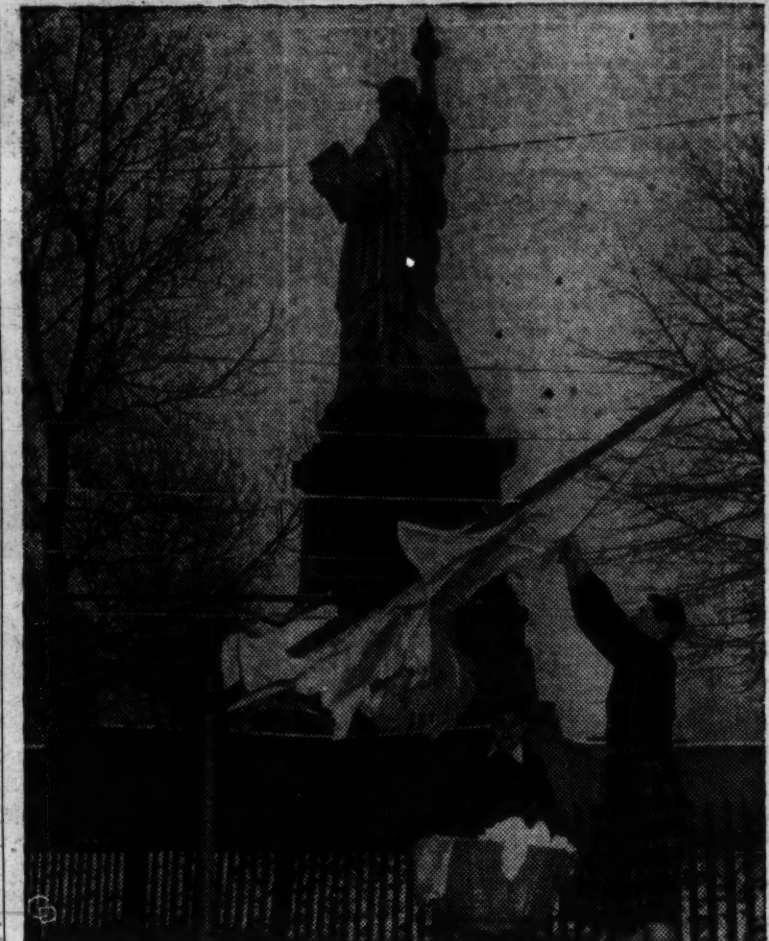
Dubinsky's Pals Build Faction to Win Election

A double-dealing policy of circumventing the constitution of the International Ladies Garment Workers to maintain a year-around factional machinery was revealed yesterday with distribution of a "declaration" by administration forces of Dress Pressers Local 60 of the union.

The ILGWU's constitution specifically bars organized factions in the union, providing for the formation of groups only when formal announcements sets a period of campaigning for election of officers.

It is under this constitutional provision the forces of President David Dubinsky forbid the existence of opposition groups or organized left activity or criticism against the ILGWU's administration.

Issuing their first election appeal, the pro-Dubinsky forces of Manager Max Cohen and Chairman Jack Spitzer of Local 60 revealed their election machinery consists of a group of branches of the Right-wing dominated Workmen's Circle, the Jewish National Alliance and Clubs that had been continually in existence. Those



He Loves Liberty: Jack Marshall, son of the superintendent of the Statue of Liberty on Bedloe's Island, in New York harbor, wouldn't give up the bedroom from whose window he can see the Statue of Liberty, not even for his new baby sister. Here the youngster helps mom with the wash as Lady Liberty politely turns her back.

rally next Thursday for the Cohen-Spitzer ticket.

Rank and File Committee leaders of Local 60, who were permitted to form their election machinery when a 90-day notice was served, are indignant at the trickery to which the Dubinsky forces are resorting.

While the existence of the clubs was known, since they occupy special rooms in the union's headquarters, the accommodation for them was always represented as a desire to encourage collaboration between those branches and the union. But this is the first time it has been publicly admitted the branch and club charters were used only as a camouflage for pro-administration factional groups which otherwise could not exist in the union legally.

The ILGWU's constitution also requires disbandment of inner union groups upon conclusion of the elections. But the camouflaged groups of the administration will continue operating and out of the union's own offices.

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Supreme Court Dooms Negro to Die in Chair

WASHINGTON, Jan. 13.—The Supreme Court, taking the view that "accidents can happen," today ruled the State of Louisiana can send Willie Francis, 17-year-old Negro to the electric chair a second time. The youth must now die unless President Truman intervenes.

The state's first attempt to put the boy to death for allegedly shooting Andrew Thomas, a St. Martinsville, La., druggist, failed last May 3 when its portable electric chair broke down after Francis had been strapped in and the current had been turned on twice.

In a 5 to 4 decision, the court held "accidents happen for which no man is to blame," and threw out defense arguments that a second trip to the chair would place Francis in double jeopardy in violation of the Constitution.

Justice Stanley F. Reed handed down the majority opinion, which was concurred in by Chief Justice Fred M. Vinson and Justices Robert H. Jackson, Hugo L. Black and Felix Frankfurter.

VIGOROUS DISSENT

In a vigorous dissent, joined by Justices William O. Douglas, Frank Murphy and Wiley Rutledge, Justice Harold H. Burton declared the law demands electrocution be instantaneous and not carried out by repeated applications of current "at intervals of several days or even minutes."

"Taking human life by unnecessarily cruel means shocks the most fundamental instincts of civilized man. It should not be possible under the constitutional procedure of a self-governing people," he said.

Francis, who was 15 at the time of the shooting, had been pictured by his attorneys as a boy who has already suffered the supreme penalty. They contended, but the state denied, that enough current reached his body in the first "execution" to make him writhe in the chair.

The Supreme Court had consented to review the case after both Louisiana's governor and the State Supreme Court had refused to intervene.

Hear about the GOP drive against the American people in the 80th Congress—Come to the Lenin Memorial Meeting.

Antarctic Plane Survivors Joked, Played Games Waiting for Rescue



ENSIGN Maxwell Lopez of Newport, R. I., was killed in the Antarctic plane crash. Six of the nine fliers survived.

Quads Born In Tenn.; 1 Dies

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., Jan. 13.—Quadruplets were born today to Mrs. Jesse Modre in a backwoods shack on Suck Creek Mountain and although one was stillborn the other three were reported in good condition at a Jasper, Tenn., clinic, and were expected to live.

The mother weighs only 100 pounds and is five feet tall. The doctor answered the call with his wife who is a registered nurse, and found the mother lying on a temporary cot with her seven other children sprawled on two beds.

The three live babies were moved immediately to Jasper for oxygen and heat. But the mother could not be moved tonight because it would have been necessary to carry her across a cornfield and over a foot-log across a creek, leading to a very rough mountain trail.

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ABOARD USS MT. OLYMPUS WITH BYRD ANTARCTIC EXPEDITION, Jan. 13.—The six Polar castaways who survived 12 days on the Antarctic ice islands after the explosion of their patrol plane, played games, swapped wisecracks and put the best of their food away for future use, because they knew the Navy would come after them if it took a month.

"There wasn't the slightest doubt you'd get us," were the first words of Capt. Henry H. Caldwell, Norfolk, Va., when he and his fellow-survivors came aboard the rescuing seaplane tender Pine Island.

But it was Caldwell who kept the stunned survivors "seagoing" through their 12 days on the wind-swept ice. He parcelled out their pitiful hoard of food and buried their three companions who died.

He invented games for them to

pass away the time, fed the crude beacon fire of rubber, rope and gasoline that finally attracted search planes, and kept them going on the last 10-hour march across the ice pack to the waiting rescue plane.

OWN HERO

Caldwell had his own private hero, 21-year-old James H. Robbins, aviation radioman 3/C, of San Diego, Calif.

Robbins and aviation machinists mate 2/C William F. H. Warr, Reading, Pa., were the two least injured survivors and together they took on most of the physical work.

Within an hour after their plane exploded, Robbins had set up a hand-cranked radio set. He ran up a kite aerial and when that was torn away by the winds, he fashioned a crude antenna between the tail and wing section of the wrecked

plane.

Lt. William H. Kearns, Jr., Boston, Mass., pilot of the ill-fated plane, said both Warr and Robbins were the mainstays of the expedition.

Robbins, he said, kept digging in the snow for food, tapped the plane's gasoline tank for fuel, fixed every meal, and kept up a running fire of wisecracks.

HAULED SLED

Robbins and Warr hauled the sled on which they brought the most seriously injured survivors, Lt. Ralph P. LeBlanc, Saint Martinsville, La.,

I'll Be Home in Spring, Flier Wrote His Father

CLARKSBURG, Tenn., Jan. 13.

"So long until next spring when I will be home for a long vacation," read the last letter from Navy aviation machinist's mate Frederick Warren Williams, one of the three Byrd expedition fliers killed in an Antarctic plane crash.

His father, Jim Williams, said "Fred was an adventuresome boy" who "wasn't afraid of anything."

His mother said: "We had hoped so much that it wouldn't be Fred, but if it hadn't, it would have been some other mother's boy."

to the waiting rescue plane, 10 miles from the scene of the crash.

LeBlanc was trapped in his seat in the cockpit when the Mariner roared in out of the fog-wrapped sea and scraped the side of a huge iceberg. The plane broke free, momentarily, as Kearns struggled with the controls, then suddenly burst into flames and exploded.

Kearns, Robbins and Warr, who had been thrown clear, fought through the blazing wreck, and hauled the unconscious LeBlanc out.

KILLED INSTANTLY

Ensign Maxwell Lopez, Newport, R. I., navigator and second pilot of the ship, and aviation radioman second class Wendell K. Henderson, Portsmouth, Va., were killed instantly. Crew chief Frederick Warren Williams, Huntington, Tenn., was hurled out of the plane and died two hours later from multiple injuries.

For a day and a half, the survivors huddled together on the icy slope, sleeping most of the time, too dazed to do anything about their plight.

The first food they ate on New Year's Eve, when Caldwell broke open a can of apricots and portioned out 2½ apricots to each man. For supper New Year's Day they had one cup of hot chicken soup apiece and a slice of bread with peanut butter.

LONG STAY

On the seventh day, the party decided they were in for a long stay on the icecap, and so they would have to bury the three victims.

The bodies were laid to rest beneath the edge of a wing torn away from the plane. An American flag was planted over the grave and their six comrades gathered in a semi-circle while Caldwell read the funeral service.

N.Y. GOP'ers to Get Major House Posts

Two New York State Republicans will head important House committees, the GOP membership voted today. They are John Taber of Auburn, chairman of the powerful ap-

propriations committee and Walter G. Andrews, Buffalo, who will lead the new armed forces committee.

The decision was made at the Republican conference, which includes all GOP members of the House. They also elected a steering committee to be headed by Leo Allan of Illinois as chairman and Speaker Joseph Martin of Massachusetts as ex-officio chairman. James Wadsworth of New York will be a member of this top group.

Other House committee chairman named by the Republicans group are as follows:

Agriculture—Clifford R. Hope, (Kas.) Banking and Currency—Jesse P. Wolcott, (Mich) District of Columbia—Everett Dirksen, (Ill.) Education and Labor—Fred A. Hartley, Jr., (N.J.) Expenditures in executive departments—Clare Hoffman, (Mich.) Foreign Affairs—

Charles A. Eaton (N.J.)

House administration—Karl M. LeCompte, (Iowa). Interstate and foreign commerce—Charles Wolverton (N.J.). Judiciary—Earl C. Michener, (Mich) Merchant Marine and fisheries—Fred Bradley (Mich). Post Office and civil service—Edward H. Rees, (Kas). Public Lands—Richard Welch, (Calif.)

Public Works—George Dondero, (Mich). Rules—Leo J. Allen (Ill). Un-American—J. Parnell Thomas (N.J.). Veterans affairs—Edith Nourse Rogers (Mass).

Ways and Means—Harold Knutson, Minn.

DEMS LAG

The Democratic House committee on committees has not yet completed its assignments.

Because the LaFollette-Monroney reorganization act reduced the number of committees from 55 to 19, a majority of the House's 435 members will serve on only one committee. This resulted in some surprises in the final GOP assignments. James W. Wadsworth, of Geneseo, N. Y., formerly a minority power in the foreign affairs committee, has shifted to the rules committee. Frederick R. Coudert, who defeated Joseph Clark Baldwin, of New York City, and who was expected to appear on the un-American committee is on appropriations. Jacob K. Javits, who defeated James H. Torrens, is on foreign affairs.

Ellsworth B. Buck, of Staten Island and Ralph Gwinn, of Bronxville, were assigned to labor and education. Katherine St. George of Tuxedo Park serving her first term, was named to Post Office and civil service.

Red-Baiting Bounces Back

MILWAUKEE, Jan. 13.—William T. Evjue, editor of the Madison, Wis. Capital Times, in his "Hello Wisconsin" column of Dec. 31, pulled an "I predict" which backfired on him this week.

Evjue charged the new "right wing" leadership of the Wisconsin CIO had demanded an audit of the council's books and predicted the audit would reveal funds of the CIO were used to "promote pure Communist activities."

Evjue said: "One of the most startling of the disclosures will show that \$1,500 of the council's funds were sent to the New York Daily Worker, official publication of the Communist Party."

Today Evjue backtracked. In his column he printed without comment, the following: "The following letter comes from John M. Sorenson, Milwaukee, the newly elected secretary-treasurer of the Wisconsin State Industrial Union Council (CIO): 'We

note in your "Hello Wisconsin" column of Dec. 31 certain erroneous references to state CIO.

"1. You state that an 'audit' was demanded by newly elected officials which is now being made.' No such audit was 'demanded' by anyone. It was requested by Mel J. Heinritz, former secretary-treasurer, as well as myself but has not as yet been started. 2. You state that 'one of the most startling disclosures will show that \$1,500 of the council's funds were sent to the New York Daily Worker, official publication of the Communist Party.' To my knowledge at the present time, no contribution of any kind have been made out of state CIO funds to the Daily Worker."

Thus another red-baiting lie has been nailed down.

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Let's All Pray for the Soul
And Satire of Henry Morgan!

By Mike Gold

EVERY ONCE IN A WHILE appears a writer with a curious bug in his mind. He just can't help seeing the cock-eyed system and all its beautiful contradictions, and pokes fun at it. He is a satirist, thank God!

In the Middle Ages the Inquisition burned plenty such young fellows for atheism. In the modern inquisition, called fascism, such talents are also punished by torture and death.



However, a third method for extinguishing critics is used in the United States. Here they are often signed up by Hollywood at \$2,500 a week, which shuts them up—and good!

I hope the fate worse than death does not befall Henry Morgan. He is one of radio's newest stars, but also a satirist for the ages. Henry made his reputation doing a radio act every night, in which he kidded everything, including his own sponsors and the whole commercial radio set-up.

IT WAS WICKED, atheistic, "Bolsheviki" stuff and its sparkle and fearlessness attracted a host of listeners.

Instead of hauling Henry off to a dungeon for such criminal contempt of King Dollar, a big safety razor tycoon signed him up and now Henry satirizes once a week for Schick razor.

The old Morgan brashness and satire has dimmed a little around the edges, it seems to me. Maybe it's much harder to fill up a half-hour with sharp stuff than it was to ramble for 15 minutes. Maybe Morgan could be more spontaneous on the other program. Maybe he's unadjusted to the new set-up, self-conscious, or the like.

Or, maybe, he is under stronger control and the cast-iron mould of commercial radio has caught up with him. He got away with murder when he was obscure. Now he is an important star, so a whole censorship machine is busy keeping him on the line.

Hundreds of radio horseflies! vice-presidents! press agents! money minds and windbag huckstering advertising experts, and so forth! For one talent in Hollywood or on the radio there are literally hundreds of business parasites buzzing around!

NEVERTHELESS, I will never lose faith in Henry Morgan. This lad is really great when he gets the bit in his teeth and runs off from the pack.

He has the gifts of a true comedian—can mimic any character, imitate the voice and manner of all classes and types.

More than that, he understands people so well that he is able to add the slight exaggeration here and there that adds up to a caricature.

A really good caricature is not just a distortion. It is a form of criticism. It is based on truth. Henry Morgan, in his acting and writing, tackles real problems and tells some truth about them.

THIS IS WHAT makes him different from the robots that pass for comedians on the radio—with their rapid fire, meaningless gags which hack writers got out of the filing cabinet and riveted together for the comedian.

Last week, Henry Morgan did a most hilarious skit on the crime and horror wave now on in the Hollywood movies.

I Strangled My Brother-in-Law was the title of his thriller. It is to be followed by a sequel called I Strangled My Sister-in-Law, with all the screams, gurgling suffocations, shots and auto crashes, idiot howls and moronic dialogue that goes into the making of a Hollywood horror film.

HENRY MORGAN, a tough guy, always saying, "Shad ap!" because he doesn't know any other words, supplies a wonderful satire against Hollywood manufacturers of mass stupidity.

Such a satirist as Morgan does the same beneficent cleansing of the social order as did a Moliere, a Gogol or Mark Twain and Finley Peter Dunne.

How long, O Lords of Gold and Dishonor, will you let this infidel thrive?

Moliere could flourish under an absolute monarch. Gogol could speak under a Czar. But it really gets tough for a satirist when they bind him up with commercial bonds, with contracts, discounts, percentages, success and the like. Henry, we are rooting for you! Let there be one intelligent satirist left in America, one wit who is more than a mechanical gagster!



Official De-Doodler: John McElroy, has just rounded out 30 years in his unique job in New York's subway system. John and his huge eraser remove the mustaches and beards with which doodle-bugs deface ads and posters. We hope he rubs out those anti-minority scrawls on subway walls, too.



Tuba Tooter: Tubby Tommy Tuffs, Toledo, toots tuba. Tommy is practising on Dad's tuba so they can toot duets together.

Boom-and-Bust (8)

- The Effects of 'Mild Recession'
- Capitalists Won't Do Anything

By JAMES S. ALLEN

FINALLY, WE MUST consider the effect of a "mild" recession, against the background of vast excess capacity, hoarding of profits and the rise of labor productivity.

No one has bothered to define a "dip." Let us say that a drop in industrial output of 20-25 percent of the 1946 level would constitute a moderate recession. Assuming that such a decline would be felt equally in other branches of the economy and would lead to an equivalent drop in employment, the number of jobless would reach 12 to 15 million.

Although unemployment insurance, which was absent during the last crisis, will for a time supply some relief, purchasing power will be drastically cut. On top of this, unemployment will create great pressure to bring wages down. In this way, even a "mild" recession would threaten a chain reaction towards an immediate deeper crisis, especially in the absence of counter-actions by government.

It is at the point when recession is about to begin that heroic efforts are necessary to ward off the worst possible crisis. And this cannot be done by depending upon autos, frigidaires and the benevolence of industrial "statesmen," as the President's committee advises.

But it is precisely at this point, when emergency action by the government is imperative to prepare against the impending catastrophe, that the Administration moves consistently in the opposite direction.

When it is still possible to erect certain barriers against the crisis, the President has permitted the whole control system to collapse, and has inaugurated the very anti-labor policies that the Republican-dominated Congress will continue.

From this Congress, there can be expected a new spate of bills to hamstring the trade unions, whose fight for a second round of wage raises is the most effective force now operating against a crash. The victory of labor in the first round contributed heavily to sustaining purchasing power, although soaring prices undercut these gains.

AGAIN THE monopolies will attempt another round of price increases, and this time even the last vestige of government controls will be removed by the new Congress.

Further tax cuts on corporations and high income will be sought, thus increasing capital hoards and

reducing government income when social expenditures will become most imperative. And alongside these crisis-provoking measures, economy in government spending will be pushed to extreme lengths, when the coming crisis could be blunted by public works, government low-cost housing, extension of social insurance and veterans bonuses, and large reconstruction loans abroad.

In foreign policy also, Republican control will extend dollar diplomacy, the transfer of foreign lending to corporations and bankers, and other measures hindering world recovery.

No important counter-measures can be expected in advance of the crisis. The most that can be hoped for from government at this point are Hoover-like rescue operations once the crisis has become severe.

UNDER THESE circumstances, the report of the Council of Economic advisers is among the most obtuse documents of capitalism, and a model of political chicanery. It attempts to lull the people into passivity. It appeals to industry and labor to show high statesmanship, while assuring Big Business that government will not "intervene," and while Congress dangles the threat of drastic anti-labor legislation over the unions.

These political factors, interacting with the underlying forces of the industrial cycle, tend to deepen the coming "shake-out," render a partial recovery even more difficult, and operate to precipitate the deeper crisis.

It remains for labor and the entire progressive movement to face this situation, without illusion, and prepare to cope with a new economic disaster.

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WORTH REPEATING

Michael Sadler, social reformer, born in 1780, wrote: "I hope I have been able to show . . . that our individual interests, duly and permanently considered, are identified with those of the community, and that prosperity, public as well as private, rests upon the solid foundation of humanity."

Press Roundup Mark Sullivan Pleased At GOP-Dem Unity

THE HERALD TRIBUNE'S Mark Sullivan is pleased to find hardly any important difference between the Republican controlled Congress and Truman. He praises the reactionary Democrats for accepting the Republican program. Sullivan thinks this is very patriotic. Historically, Sullivan would have suggested that Tories of Washington's Day take over the Sons of Liberty; the Federalists take over Jefferson's Republican-Democrats and the Southern Democrats take over the Republican Party of Lincoln. Sullivan wants a party system where the voter can choose Democrats or Republicans and still be voting for the same big business program.

THE POST'S Marquis W. Childs sees a terrifying blindness in some of the talk about atomic control: "It assumes that the atomic bomb, wrapped up in brown paper and sealed with sealing wax, can be kept forever at the bottom of the American arsenal. . . . Each day of delay makes our 'secret' that much less valuable." He suggests the possibility that "with a different approach to the veto, it will be possible to reach an agreement with Russia that contains equivalent guarantees."

THE TIMES endorses Vandenberg's memo to the new secretary of state for "a shift of emphasis in our policy . . . to support President Chiang Kai-shek" and the non-Communists of China. "That would seem to be in line with General Marshall's report," the Times believes. Of course Marshall claims he tried to foster Communist-Kuomintang unity. But the Times knows that all along we sent billions of dollars of war material to Chiang for his civil war. So the Times was and is satisfied. The only fly in the ointment—is that even with P-51s and American tanks—the Kuomintang could not defeat China's Communist and liberal forces, the latter are stronger than ever.

THE WORLD-TELEGRAM also endorses Vandenberg's order to Marshall to back Chiang Kai-shek's dictatorship. In fact the Scripps-Howard paper is frank enough to call Vandenberg's speech a "Blueprint for General Marshall." All Marshall has to say now is that he wasn't serious about the China mission anyway—and he agrees with the World-Telegram.

PM'S Saul P. Padover urges that the U. S. and British governments give greater support to the Social Democrats of Europe. With the socialists of Italy, as well as those of eastern Europe moving to unity with the Communists—Padover evidently wants support for those who want to continue the split in labor ranks.

THE MIRROR says "Smile, Pardon" things aren't so bad. "Is there a red under your bed?" it asks after having tried to scare the daylight out of its readers with talk about the red menace. Things aren't so bad at all and recommends "Turn to the Comic Pages" and enjoy the "warm and lush and sunny" weather.

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Vandenberg Cracks the Whip

HAVING dictated pretty successfully to former Secretary of State Byrnes, Senator Vandenberg is now trying to give orders to the new Secretary, General Marshall.

In his Saturday speech at Cleveland, Vandenberg, flushed with success, demands that America ally itself openly with the corrupt, democracy-hating Chiang regime in China. We use the word "openly" because, though we have pretended that we sought unity in China, our guns, food and money have gone to the Chiang Kuomintang. We have made possible the civil war in China by this aid. Vandenberg wants us to intensify the civil war by joining with the Chiang regime officially.

Similarly, with Latin America, Vandenberg wants us to link the Americas to our army and navy through "joint defense." In plain talk, he wants us to turn Latin America into part of the American Empire.

Finally, Vandenberg insists America shall continue to try to get rid of the principle of unanimity in the United Nations. Which means, he wants to get rid of the one thing that makes the United Nations united.

His speech was filled with hints about the "terrorism" in the liberated countries. He pleaded for a revived Germany — not for a de - Nazified and de - militarized Germany.

Summed up, Vandenberg indicated that the GOP is pushing for a more reactionary foreign policy, for more "get tough," and for more grabbing and bullying of the rest of the world.

It is a policy which is making America unpopular everywhere. It is isolating us from the people who should be our friends and allies, and tying us up with busted-down kings in Greece, Nazis in Germany, fascists in Spain, and with feudal crooks in China.

And, as if to make matters worse, Vandenberg insisted that the rest of the world must "pay a fixed price" — that is submission to our dictation while we keep our bomb pile.

Vandenberg insists on our atom bomb monopoly because he knows his policy is antagonizing every democratic force in the world today.

This policy is "bi-partisan" only in the sense that Roosevelt's Democratic successors in the government have gone over to the GOP. But, in its origins and execution, this is a Republican policy.

The legacy of Roosevelt's foreign policy is in the hands of Henry Wallace and the American progressives.

Wallace charges that Churchill's "fantastic crusade" for war against the Soviet Union is being applied in the USA. This has not and cannot be answered.

Wallace yesterday charged we are in Greece not to help democracy but to "get ready for war with Russia." This too cannot be answered.

America wants a foreign policy that will keep the name America synonymous with democracy and peace. This is not Vandenberg's policy. His pressure toward more "get-tough" spells trouble for America.

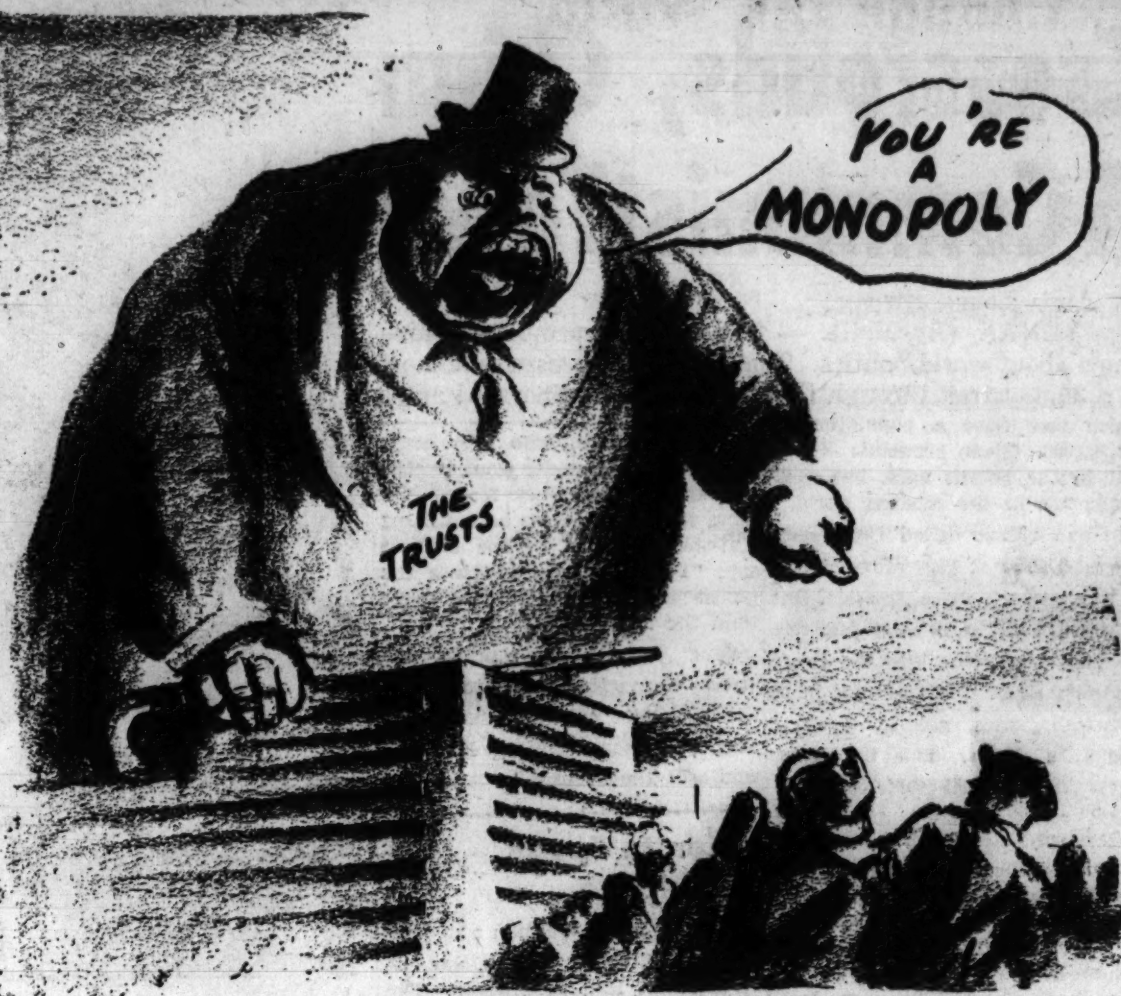
Bitten by a Tax

ROY HOWARD, owner of the Scripps-Howard newspapers, was once "badly bitten by an income tax," the late Heywood Brown wittily said. Since then his ideas on life in general have been strictly of the yacht-club variety.

When this paper questioned the wisdom of slashing welfare agencies to provide 11 billion bucks of a 37 billion budget for armaments, the New York World-Telegram snapped back at us this way: "The Commies would prefer to see this country have no army, no navy, no air force, no atomic bombs and no war materials."

But this is pretty cheap sophistry. We said that the people should not have to tighten their belts for huge and unjustified expansion of armaments. We pointed to the unequal burden, the rich getting away with murder. Further, as Americans, we can't see any sense in piling up atom bombs to scare the rest of the world with. No one is threatening us, and no one can. The World-Telly alibi about "defense" is just a gag to build up militarism with the hard-earned nickels and dimes of the poor, while the rich pay little.

HOG CALLING



Letters From Our Readers

Australian Natives Called Aborigines

New York, N. Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

In the Worker, Jan. 5, David Platt in referring to the Australian picture, "The Overlanders," speaks of the dark skinned men in the film as Negroes. To my knowledge this is the second or third time such a reference was made.

David Platt is in error. The colored men shown in the picture are not Negroes; nor are they related to the African races; they are Australian Aborigines, commonly known as Bushmen. Their anthropology, physical characteristics and history is quite their own.

These native Australians have been subjected to a bias, similar to the indignities forced on the Negro people in our own South. Australia has steadily maintained an unjust and discriminatory "White Supremacy" policy towards these people.

M. BRIDGER.

Yugoslavs Praise NMU Crew

Venezia.

Editor, Daily Worker:

We Yugoslavs, who were passengers on the Middlebury Victory, appreciate very much the crew's kindness to us during our trip. We are very proud of the National Maritime Union for having men of such quality.

We had in our group a veteran of the Spanish Civil War who was a member of the International Brigade and just before we departed at Trieste the ship's crew donated a very nice present to the veteran.

TEN YUGOSLAVS.

Unity the Great Need of the Day

New York.

Editor, Daily Worker:

With the Republicans as the majority in both houses of Congress, the nation is in for a period of legislation favorable to reactionary interests.

To offset this condition, we need a greater unity among the progressive forces in America. We must end factional prejudice and enter into a common bond against the drive of big business to destroy the gains made by the working people in the last decade.

A. G.

VIEWS ON LABOR NEWS

THE REAL 'ALIEN THREAT'

By George Morris

THE CURRENT ISSUE of Life magazine runs a fine picture play on the French Communist Party. The magazine gives three reasons for the 'Communists' first place among the parties of France:

"1. The best resistance record in the war. 2. The best work for industrial reconstruction since the war. 3. The best party organization."

But while admitting the record that earned for the French Communists the reputation of "best Frenchmen," Life paints them as a "foreign" and "Moscow-line" influence in the life of France.

The reason for such photographic generosity to the French Communists is explained in Life by the warning that a Communist victory in France "might prove contagious."

Life points to a map of Europe which shows only a few "white" spots where Communists are not yet the first party or a very important participant in government coalitions. And in all of these places, we are told, Communism is a "foreign" influence.

LIFE IS ABOVE all concerned with the increase of "foreign" influence in the Western Hemisphere. The discovery by the New York Times that there are 400,000 members of Communist Parties in Latin America is also a source of worry to Life.

It seems that the powerful law which causes quantity to change quality, is defeating the big "foreign influence" lie. At least in most of Europe, those who still harp on the lie, sound like the Irish lady who watched her boy wobble in a St. Patrick's Day parade and remarked that "every-is out of step but Paddy." The very magnitude of the millions in France, Yugoslavia, Czechoslovakia, Italy now marching behind their first parties—Communist Parties—is making the "foreign influence" charge ridiculous.

The fact is that the world is now passing through a period when people are fast discovering that Communists far from being an "alien" influence are the genuine and outstanding patriotic defenders and champions of their respective lands. At the same time, the world is discovering that those who in past days so noisily professed to be their coun-

try's patriots, proved to be Benedict Arnolds or something little better.

THUS IT IS that so many in European lands since V-J Day, have earned the gallows, prison or disgrace for the rest of their lives, and they come not from the ranks of Communists or the working class, but from the ranks of the rich—those who horde over industries, farm lands, banks, armies and governments.

But for most Americans, the lessons of recent years had to sift through the newspapers and other channels of our up-to-date thought control. Millions of Americans are still suckers for the "foreign influence" lie. Even a large section of the trade union movement isn't immune to this skilful lie campaign.

The lie factory operates on the basis of a clever "paradox" pattern. The simplest example is the current effort to shift the eyes of the people from the monopolies throttling our economy, to the "labor monopolies."

So with respect to Communists. Those most noted for their affinity with the alien influence of fascism, are the noisiest against Communists.

THE LABOR movement does face a threat of alien influence. But this threat comes not from Communists but from the very flagwavers who shout loudest against Communists. Since its cradle days the labor movement always taught its followers that the alien force is the labor-baiter, the disruptive agent of the employers in labor's rank and the race monger. The ABC of labor education has always been that the welfare of the country is tied up with those who are pressing for progress for the masses; that the few monopolists, though they may be native born, are alien to the country's best interests.

Many millions of Americans do see the threat of the trusts. But they have not yet freed themselves of the poison dished out in trust propaganda whose constant aim is to fan a "red scare."

Frankly, I think we Communists are partly at fault that so many fall for this "foreign agent" bunk. We don't tell enough of what we have done, or tell it popularly. The truth would arm millions against the lies of the trusts.

Crossroads, China A Communist Town

By Anna Louise Strong

By Allied Labor News

YENAN (By Mail). — The common people of China know about world politics. That is what impressed me most in a 30-day trek through the Communist-led liberated areas which now have a population of 140,000,000. Their economic life is still in the middle ages, but their minds are in the modern world.

In one village called Crossroads, about 20 peasant kids crowded into my room to ask about America. One of them, anxious to show off, told the others that the Win the Peace Committee had held meetings in 30 American cities against keeping troops in China. This boy knew everything the local paper had published about America during the past weeks.

I turned the tables and asked a youngster 11 years old who he thought was the best man in China. He said: "Chairman Mao Tse-tung because he helps us keep more grain so we have plenty to eat. Besides, we elect our own government."

First among village hates was Yen Hsi-shan, Kuomintang gov-

ernor of Shansi, who still keeps Japanese troops under arms to control the people. They resent him more than they do his boss, Chiang Kai-shek, because, as the Chinese say: "You will never convince the mouse that the cat is less fierce than the lion."

Song and dance routines are among the methods used to inform the people of current issues. One song was about "Chiang Kai-shek who sells the country."

Eisler to Speak In Chicago

Gerhart Eisler, German anti-Nazi fighter, will speak Sunday, Jan. 19, at Shotwell Hall in Chicago. The meeting is sponsored by the Community Bookshop Forum and the newspaper German-American, Inc.



Black Market Victims: An Italian youngster watches as his mother buys spaghetti straws from a Black Marketeer in Rome. The city gets most of its food supply in this manner.

UAW Leaders To Meet on Pay

DETROIT Jan. 13.—A hundred national leaders of the United Auto Workers, CIO will meet here next Saturday to map a nationwide campaign to obtain a 23½-cents-an-hour wage increase for a million auto workers.

Along with the wage discussions will keynote the gathering. Security funds and pensions for aged workers. It is expected the UAW president Walter P. Reuther will keynote the gathering. Secretary treasurer George F. Addes, and vice-presidents R. J. Thomas and R. T. Leonard.

Those attending will be the International Executive Board and members of the national GM, Ford, Chrysler and other departments. An analysis by the union's national research department will be presented to the delegates showing the auto industry can pay a 25 percent general wage increase in 1947 and still draw profits amounting to \$1,350,000,000 before taxes and \$835,000,000 after taxes.

Following the national wage meeting this Saturday will be Regional meetings of shop delegates to discuss putting the program into action.

BRAZILIAN DIARY II

SOME BRAZILIAN COMMUNIST LEADERS

(Continued from Page 2)

days by boat from the bulge of Brazil. It was here that he learned a good English entirely by himself.

There is Pedro Pomar, taller than many others, with a reddish blonde mustache and strong cheekbones, who is today the national educational director and in charge of all the party's press. He knows the backlands of Brazil, for he and Joao Amazonas (35 and a construction worker leader) made a sensational escape from prison at Belem and spent two months by canoe and on foot before they reached Rio to continue underground work. They were hunted at every step by the federal police, who in those days had been trained by the Gestapo.

Amazonas is considered an older man—35—the son of working people like most of the leaders of Brazil's party and himself a construction worker. His major field is the trade union movement. He

is now running for Senator from the federal district of Rio, and it is very usual that people come up to shake his hand in a Rio restaurant and wish him luck.

Short, with a wisp of a mustache, and very reserved, Amazonas appears to do most of the worrying for the political committee.

"Our deputies," he says, "they have so much to learn about law, about diplomacy, and so little time."

"Our unions, they have very far to go, and must be consolidated quickly, for, without a strong union movement, we will not secure a solid basis for the party or for Brazilian democracy."

"Our finances, they must be placed on a solid basis..."

Amazonas is not satisfied that the PCB raised half a million dollars in three weeks during the recent campaign for the *Imprensa Popular*, the people's press.

He worries about regular dues payments, about meetings starting on time, about the telegrams from all over the country that flood the desks of the 14 Communist deputies. For the people complain of repression, of unfairness by the employers, about the imperialist firms, and they expect their deputies—the Communists—to help them.

I wish I had space for the other Brazilian leaders. Each name means a personality to me, a special story of heroism, a particular task to be fulfilled.

There is Jorge Amado, for example, Brazil's great novelist, something of a cross between Howard Fast and Theodore Dreiser.

He is a deputy too, and was about to leave for an election tour in his beloved north. He complained to me that his party tasks

don't give him a chance to write any more, but his friends point to the latest novel on a 12-volume shelf of Amado's books.

There is Pedro de Carvalho Braga, one of the most famous leaders in Rio, a Negro who works for the power company. He attended the World Federation of Trade Unions meeting in Paris, and told me that Sidney Hillman had been greatly interested in the Brazilian union movement.

Like almost all the other Communists I met here, Braga is a candidate for the post of "vereador" or councilman in Rio this Jan. 19. The PCB expects to elect 20 out of the 40 "vereadores."

While I was sitting and talking to Amado, a tall young man came in with a wonderful smile and a fluent French on his lips. . . . Apollonio de Carvalho, who had fought in Spain, had been jailed by the Nazis, fought with the French "maquis" and had at last come home to Brazil after nine years.

Apollonio wanted to show his family in Matto Grosso (the deep interior) his new French wife and their two year old son. He would be back in a month to get whatever assignment comrade Arruda had in mind. . . .

I will skip the names and careers of a score of others. But I cannot leave out the key man, the legend and the dynamo of this party—Luis Carlos Prestes. He is a story in himself.

(Continued tomorrow)

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In this corner

An Afternoon at the
Hoop Luncheon

By Bill Mardo

HOW ABOUT taking us with you to a basketball writers' luncheon, asks a reader—and we gladly oblige with a word picture of the weekly feedbag and chatter session as it unfolded yesterday at the usual uptown eatery:

Tall Tom Smith is called on for some info about his North Carolina U. hoopsters, who meet NYU tonight. First off, he reminds the gathering that his team, like NYU played a double overtime game the other night against LaSalle and led by one point in each of the overtime stanzas with three seconds to go—and lost the game—unlike NYU. Smith goes on to say: "Of course, we're not as good a club as last year. Bones McKinney graduated and we lost Jim Jordan to Kentucky. But three other regulars are back, Bob Paxton, Jim White and John Dillon." One of the writers asks Hamilton which team he ranks tops in the Conference, and the man who succeeded Ben Carnevale as new North Carolina U. coach, replies: "Duke and North Carolina State are among the best. You boys know all about Duke from their game here with NYU—but Duke looked even better against Temple."

The next speaker was scheduled to be John Flanagan, coach of the St. Louis University crew which goes against LIU in the other half of tonight's twinbill. But bad weather delayed the team coming into New York and in Flanagan's absence, brother Nedso Irish volunteers some information: "That's quite a club St. Louis has, according to what Oklahoma Aggies' coach Hank Iba told me. (St. Louis licked the powerful Aggies recently, y'know—ed. note). 'The Aggies didn't get a chance for a good shot at the basket all night.' And with that bit of news, as relayed through Ned Irish, the Garden promoter sits down.

Clair Bee is next and LIU's pilot elaborates further about the team he meets tonight: "I saw St. Louis last year and it was a darned good team." And then with typical Bee humor, the coach recalled his team's losing effort in St. Louis last season: "They beat us bad with a rubber ball and floating baskets. I remember one of Jackie Goldsmith's set shots curving about three feet. St. Louis doesn't use a zone defense but their placing of three big men under the basket makes it as effective as a zone setup."

Joe Lapchick speaks next, and the angular, likeable St. John's mentor says briefly: "I'm happy about our two-game winning streak and hope it lasts. But you saw how badly we lacked reserve depth against Manhattan when we almost blew our big lead and had to send in the first team to clinch it all over again. We play Temple here Thursday night and it seems like we always beat them in Philly but never in the Garden."

The highlight of the luncheon comes when Red Auerbach, coach of those amazing Washington Capitols of the pro Basketball Ass'n of America, is asked to say a few words about his league-leaders. "Our Bones McKinney is, in my opinion, the greatest competitor in basketball today. He's great off both boards and a tremendous showman, to boot. Bob Feerick, formerly of Santa Clara, captains our club. Maybe he doesn't look so great on the surface, but that's only because he's such a quietly smooth player. He has a one-handed Hank Lusetti type of shot that's really good. Irv Torgoff, whom you remember from the 1936-40 LIU teams, is going great guns and still has the old college try. Our Johnny Mahnken has taken off a lot of weight and is down to fine form now. John Norlander, who used to team up with Dutch Schultz at Hamline, is also going well for us."

The youthful pro coach takes a deep breath and continues: "But I want to tell you about Fred Scholari—a 5-11 unorthodox playing kid whom I consider the find of the year. He has the quickest pair of hands I've ever seen. He steals a dribble from an opposing player while the ball is still on the uprise. That's how he stopped Providence's fast breaking attack with Ernie Calverley and he did a fine job on the Knick's, Sonny Heftberg, too."

"I want to finish on this note," Auerbach says sincerely. "The new pro league is playing college basketball. Our guys on the bench cheer the club on like mad and want to win every game." And then he realistically quips: "Of course they're also thinking about that playoff prize dough."

A few last announcements and another weekly luncheon of the basketball writers breaks up.

Reader's Corner:

Reader from THE Basketball State Straightens Us Out On Harvard and Indiana U.

Indianapolis, Indiana Daily Worker Sports,
Twice in the past week you have spoken, or rather written, about the "relative weakness of the Midwest this year" in basketball. Both times you have based your belief on the fact that "Harvard beat Indiana." About a week ago a double header was played here in Indianapolis. In the main go North Carolina State defeated Holy Cross. Why did these two teams play here in Indiana? (This part is beside the point but I don't want to pass up an opportunity to inject some Hoosier chauvinism). The North Carolina team is topheavy with Indiana High school graduates and is coached by Everett Case, a high school coach from Frankfurt, Indiana, who was very successful over a

long period of years. The team has been playing all over the state and drawing big crowds.

Now for the main point—in the opener of the twin bill Harvard defeated Indiana Central not Indiana. Indiana U., which is undoubtedly relatively weak this year, was the team that defeated Ohio State.

With best wishes and thanks for a swell sports page,

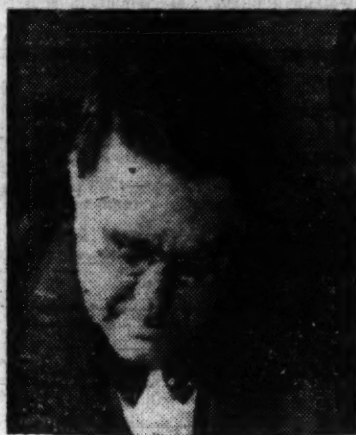
A READER.

Dear Reader,

Thanks for straightening us out on Harvard-Indiana. It did seem astounding, as the Ivy teams are far below the run of the mill New York outfits. But United Press carried the score as Indiana, and that's the way all the other papers here had it. However, in all fairness, we didn't

Havana Schedule Arranged To Guarantee Full Tryout

Brooklyn Dodger president Branch Rickey at a press conference yesterday said that on his merit as a ballplayer, "which is the only way I rate players," there was no doubt that Jackie Robinson would be a member of the Brooklyn team by April 15, when the Dodgers and Montreal play at Ebbets Field.



BRANCH RICKEY

"I would certainly be upset and embarrassed if when Brooklyn and Montreal came to Ebbets Field April 15 Robinson wasn't a member of the Brooklyn team, and starred against Brooklyn," he added.

Rickey also revealed that Leo Durocher, Dodger manager, had enthusiastically thumped Rickey's desk after seeing Robinson in two Los Angeles exhibition games and exclaimed, "That fellow can play shortstop! He has an arm. He can play for my money at any position!" Rickey has just returned from Havana, where he tried to secure hotel accommodations for the Montreal team along with the Dodgers. He said his efforts were not successful as yet due to a shortage of hotel

space, but he had partial accommodations secured and regardless of where Montreal trained he was now re-arranging the Dodgers' whole Havana schedule to include twelve games with Montreal, thus insuring the full tryout for Robinson, first Negro athlete to crash organized baseball.

Challenged by a scribe with the assertion that "there is talk Brooklyn is now trying to duck the whole thing because Robinson is not on the Dodger roster," Rickey explained that keeping Robinson on the Montreal roster was a routine technical move to "protect" other draft eligibles from being lost to the club.

He pointed out that Montreal had three players, Rackley, Tatum and Howell, who were eligible for the draft, and Brooklyn brought up the first highly rated two officially to keep from losing them at the draft price. Robinson, who had played only one year and thus was not eligible for the draft, was kept on the Montreal roster for the winter, thereby making room for one more draft eligible to be moved up to the Dodger roster's protection.

Rickey said Robinson was only one of several such cases in the Brooklyn farm system, including Chandler, leading pitcher in the Texas League, and Snyder, a hard hitting outfielder with Fort Worth. Both were first year men and so kept on their minor league rosters over the winter. Last spring Dick Whitman and Carl Furillo also reported as members of the Montreal team and were subsequently taken up by the Dodgers.

Bob Brown Voted NJ's Outstanding Athlete

NEWARK, N.J., Jan. 12.—Bobby Brown, who starred at shortstop for the Newark Bears and came up with the Yankees at the end of the season, today was selected as the outstanding New Jersey native in professional sports during 1946.

The award, conducted for six years prior to world War II and resumed this year, previously had honored Joe Medwick, Johnny Vandermeer, George Case, Frank Hayes and ex-welterweight champion, Freddie Cochrane.

SCHOOLS and INSTRUCTION

N. Y. MANDOLIN Symphony Orchestra class for beginners, adults and children will open Tuesday, Jan. 14, at 7 p.m. Instruction free to members. Dues \$35 weekly. Come and register. Non-profit organization. 106 E. 14 St., near 4th Ave., N.Y.C.

NYU, LIU Picked To Beat Invaders

NYU, knocked out of the NCAA tourney last year by North Carolina, takes on, and should take over, the Chapel Hill boys tonight in the feature of a double-header at the Garden.

In the opener, LIU's "don't look so good but win a lot" team takes on a highly-touted St. Louis U. team which recently thumped Oklahoma A&M.

North Carolina doesn't have quite the team it had last year, having lost Bones McKinney to the pro Washington team and Jimmy Jordan to Kentucky. But it has back three veterans in Paxton, White and Dillon, the hook-shot artist

Rep. Hebert Asks Federal Action On Interstate Fixers

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 13.—As a direct outgrowth of the recent scandal in New York pro football, representative Edward Hebert (D-La.) today introduced a bill to imprison and fine anyone convicted of attempting to bribe players, coaches or referees in interstate athletic contests. At the same time he introduced a measure to punish attempted bribery of athletes in the District of Columbia.

Hebert said his bills were modeled after the New York law under which Alvin Paris is being tried for alleged attempt to bribe Frankie Filchok and Merle Hapes of the New York Giants.

WE PICK:

NYU over N. Carolina
LIU over St. Louis
Record: 30 right, 6 wrong

who scored 21 against NYU last season. The Tarheels have won five and lost three, including a double overtime defeat by LaSalle in Philly.

NYU, generally rated New York's best team and candidate for any national rankings handed out, starts its usual lineup with Don Forman back and reserve strength in better shape with Goldstein waiting to go, and reserves Dohlon, Kelly and Wells improving steadily.

St. Louis has lost six games, which is a deceptive record in one of the toughest schedules ever attempted. They lost to Notre Dame and Purdue by 2, Minnesota and Missouri by 4 and seemed to find themselves in routing the Okie Aggies. Last year they murdered LIU at St. Louis. But the Brooklyn team has been coming along and with Dick Holub back in form may figure too tough.

New Hoop Loop Bans Zone Defense

The Basketball Association of America has banned the zone defense from league play. Any violations of this rule, inaugurated last Saturday, will be dealt with through the league offices and not on the spot by officials of any given game where the zone defense might crop up. Reason for the ruling, said a spokesman of the BAA at the basketball writer's luncheon yesterday, was because the zone defense was slowing up the game and proved a bore to the spectators.

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PUBLIC

ATTENTION. Would like to form a group of poets to meet once a week, or month to read and discuss one's poems. Write to Louis Roemer, 916 Rockland Ave. Staten Island, N. Y.

BOOKS — FILMS — THE ARTS



Al Moss, tenor, who sings in 10 languages and specializes in folk songs will be heard in 16 cities as part of a cultural and educational tour being presented by the International Workers Order.

Movie Shows and Rallies To Mark IWO Eastern Tour

Al Moss will provide entertainment at shows and rallies at which John E. Middleton, IWO vice-president, will speak on "The People and the New Congress."

The tour which includes towns in New York, Rhode Island, Connecticut, Massachusetts, Pennsylvania and New Jersey, is for the purpose of rallying the IWO membership behind the drive aimed to build the organization to 200,000 members by the time of the next convention.

Another feature of the program will be the showing of two films. One is *FDR*, a documentary story of the late President's life from early manhood until his untimely death. The other film is *The Land Is Free Again*, a film in color of liberation ceremonies in Slovakia.

Middleton's tour takes in the following places: Jan. 14, Lockport, N. Y.; Jan. 15, Erie, Pa.; Jan. 21, New Brunswick, N. J.; Jan. 23, Union City, N. J.; Jan. 24, New Haven, Conn.; Jan. 26, Torrington, Conn.; Jan. 26, Waterbury, Conn.; Jan. 27, Hartford, Conn.; Jan. 28, Milford, Mass.; Jan. 29, Woonsocket, R. I.; Jan. 30, New Bedford, Mass.



Ella Logan, singing star of 'Finian's Rainbow,' will perform at the 'Stars Entertain for Republican Spain' benefit, sponsored by the Veterans of the Lincoln Brigade at the Belasco Theatre, Sunday evening, Jan. 19.

NAACP Raps Award to 'Song of the South'

Sharp issue was taken today with *Parents Magazine* by Walter White, Executive Secretary, NAACP, for its award of a medal to *Song of the South*, Walt Disney's film of the Uncle Remus stories. Mr. White, in his telegram, stated:

"The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People is shocked by the award of the January *Parents Magazine* medal to *Song of the South*, which glorifies racial stereotypes and virtually justifies slavery by picturing it as an idyllic system. One of the chief causes of racial friction in this country is the half-truths and untruths which are planted in the unsuspecting minds of young peoples which in later years causes the perpetuation of dangerous and divisive prejudices.

"Award of the medal by a publication so highly respected and circulated as *Parents Magazine*, which many of us have read for years, is not in keeping, in our opinion, with the high standards which it has always maintained."

Corwin on CBS Tonight

The voice of the people will be heard when Columbia network presents the first broadcast of Norman Corwin's new 13-week series, "One World Flight," tonight, Tuesday (CBS, 10-10:30 p.m.). Serving as a general introduction to Corwin's global radio mission, the broadcast will include interviews recorded by the CBS writer-producer-director with 18 individuals, exalted and obscure, in the countries he visited.

First Performance Of New Symphony

Douglas Moore's Symphony No. 2 in A Major will have its first performance in concert on Thursday evening, Jan. 16, and Friday afternoon, Jan. 17, when Alfred Wallenstein conducts the Los Angeles Philharmonic Orchestra in the American premiere of this work. Composed in 1945 and dedicated to the memory of Stephen Vincent Benet, the symphony was first performed on May 5, 1946, by the Pairs Broadcasting Orchestra under the direction of Robert Lawrence.

The Question of Abstract Art

Editor, Daily Worker:

In most airings among ourselves of differences over art there are questions which, for lack of space or other considerations, we leave unsettled. Sometimes these questions are basic and, in not tackling them, we leave ourselves open to an accusation of fundamental error. I think that I did this in my letter disagreeing with Marion Summers' review of certain abstract paintings. But as there is no space here, either, for a thorough statement of what I feel are certain Marxist principles in aesthetics, I should like to assure him that I do not hold the positions he ascribes to me.

I do not "deny the necessary relationship between art and society." I would as soon deny the chain of cause and effect. I do not believe that "artistic creation goes in a separate compartment divorced from an artist's social and political attitudes." I do not maintain that "art is really classless," or that "an artist may be class conscious in a political sense and completely aloof from such consideration in his art." And I concur most heartily with Summers when he states one of the aims of the Communist artist to be the furthering of the cultural interests of the working class.

ART AND SOCIETY

Where do we differ then? I think we are divided in our conceptions of the scope of those cultural interests. I feel that Summers, in his correct effort to point out in what direction the highest expressions of working class art must lie, tends to exclude other forms of expression as alien to or in conflict with the interests of the working class.

He says "I have consistently attempted to define abstract art as an expression of bourgeois culture." Well, there's nothing new in that. Greek art was the expression of a slave-owning so-



PABLO PICASSO

cety; Titian was the artist of a mercantile capitalist class, and modern art shares the restrictive influence of all expression within the framework of imperialism. But unless our concern with these arts of the long and near past is purely sociological, we must see that we are moved by something else in them other than the circumstances of their origin. There are still among us differences as to whether Shakespeare was the last and greatest of the feudal poets, or the first and greatest of the voices of emerging bourgeois society. But we do not withhold our feelings from him until these doubts are cleared up. Otherwise we should deny the continuity of human reason and feeling. Likewise, it would be a denial of any community of understanding in the tradition of art to say that Communist artists can learn nothing from the art of the past, or from the bourgeois art of the present.

ON ABSTRACT ART

I do not ascribe such a general position to Summers. But with respect to certain art forms he speaks as though these could be written off merely by designating their social milieu in which they arose. Why, for example, is it so "beside the point" to ask "whether artists can still benefit by the aesthetic contributions of abstract art?" I should think it would be very much to the point for the critic to help determine just what aspects of abstract art can be useful to the artist. When the artist functions as a critic, he sees this as a most vital problem. He cannot afford to stand above such matters; much less can the critic who is himself not a painter or sculptor. Here I plead for a closer working of all of us critics, writers and artists on our common problems.

Now, as to abstract art itself. It is unfortunate that we must use this term which embraces such

a variety of styles and intentions, and which has appended to it such a mixture of philosophies and rationalizations. Abstract art, it is true, encourages the opportunist efforts of all sorts of irresponsible charlatans, who mask their foolishness with profound titles. But I shall concern myself only with those honest and serious artists among the abstractionists (using this term in its broadcast sense to embrace both Mondrian and some of Picasso) who use visual means to express aspects of reality other than readily acceptable visual appearances or representations.

Abstract art is in itself not the expression of any one class; it is one art form, rising out of the development of art in capitalist society, which can be made to serve corrupt or socially useful ends, within the limits determined by its own nature.

WORKING-CLASS ART

I do not believe that Summers and I are so far apart in our hopes for an art which will express the struggle and values of the working class. In my *New Masses* review of the work of Boardman Robinson I spoke of "the greatest of all contemporary subjects—the myriad sided class conflict, with its numberless tragic and triumphant incidents," and I urged artists to apply their craft and culture to the mastery of this highest expression of working class art. (And that is what I meant before in using this last phrase). It is obvious to me as to Summers that abstract art is not the means for expressing those struggles or values. Speculations as to what specific forms are most adaptable, or which may emerge in the course of the artists' labors, are not within the scope of this discussion.

In urging modesty upon the critic I do not imply abnegation before the artist; in asking for intellectual tolerance I do not mean negation of principle. In stating feelings about the place of abstract art, I have not hesitated to indicate my hopes for the development of a much higher form of expression, richer, more varied, dealing with human relations in the context of our struggle, great in the service of reason. But there is no point in putting things on an either-or basis. The working class is the inheritor of all that is good in all cultures. Within this provision there is room enough for value judgments.

CHARLES HUMBOLDT.

(This letter has been abridged for reasons of space.—Ed.)

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New York, Tuesday, January 14, 1947

60,000 Urge Dewey Extend N.Y. Rent Law

By Max Gordon

ALBANY, Jan. 13.—Gov. Dewey's office was handed 60,000 signatures from Manhattan residents today requesting that the State Rent Control Law be extended, with the gaping loopholes closed. The signatures were presented to Assistant Attorney General Lawrence E. Walsh by the season's first delegation to this ancient capital. It consisted of 23 representatives from Manhattan ALP clubs and two from a tenants' group in Chelsea. City Councilman Eugene P. Connolly, ALP county secretary, headed the delegation.

The petitions asked that the state law on residential rents be amended to: Freeze rents at present levels instead of at whatever levels the federal government may raise them in the future. Extend ceilings to new housing, which is exempt under the present law. Include hotels in the law. The delegation also requested of Walsh, who was as close as it could get to the Governor, that Dewey be asked to use his influence to have the federal law extended without any raise in ceilings.

Councilman Connolly said that at least 500,000 more signatures would be gathered and transmitted to the Governor.

A bill containing the points requested in the petition is now being drafted for introduction by the two new ALP legislators, State Sen. Kenneth Sherbell and Assemblyman Samuel Kaplan, both from Brooklyn.

The bill will be introduced some time this week, according to former Assemblyman Leo Isacson, State ALP Legislative Director.

The State CIO threw into the legislative hopper tonight seven measures to liberalize unemployment insurance. The bills would:

- End the 7-week waiting period

ALBANY, Jan. 13.—Gov. Dewey is trying hard to cover up his failure to propose a new state permanent low-cost fund by emphasizing his temporary emergency program.

He sent a special message to the Legislature tonight requesting immediate appropriation of \$25,000,000 for his temporary program for the year. He said \$40,000,000 was spent on this program last year.

This provided for about 5,290 temporary vet homes shelter for about 9,500 vet students.

penalty for workers on strike.

- Raise maximum weekly benefits from \$21 to \$25, minimums from \$10 to \$14; and include \$3 a week for each dependent up to 3.

- Eliminate the requirement that a worker must take suitable employment if that employment is not covered by unemployment insurance.

- Provide for payments to workers who become ill while receiving insurance pay benefits to workers who become ill while on the job.

- Provide counsel for workers whose benefits are appealed by the industrial commissioner.

- Count a day of partial employment as unemployed for purposes of the waiting period.

CIO State President Louis Hollander criticized Gov. Dewey for his failure to mention unemployment insurance liberalizing in his legislative message.



NANCY DRURY walks again, cured completely of the dread infantile paralysis which struck when she was only two. Now four, the winsome Lexington, Ky., youngster has been named 1947 poster girl for the March of Dimes drive.

Gold Urges Labor Unity to Meet Offensive of Reaction

ATLANTIC CITY, Jan. 13.—Substantial wage increases are absolutely necessary to meet the rise in the cost of living, President Ben Gold of the International Fur and Leather Workers Union, CIO, described in his report to the semi-annual meeting of the union's executive board.

Gold also attached great importance to CIO President Philip Murray's proposal for united action of all labor to meet the offensive of reaction. The anti-labor offensive and the agents of Big Business in Congress are driving the country into an economic crisis that may be more terrible than the last one, Gold warned.

LAUDS MURRAY PLEA

The 38-man board, meeting in Hotel St. Charles, will hold sessions through Friday. Gold took note of the 15-cent-an-hour raise and health and welfare fund won for 5,000 Massachusetts leather workers, but stressed that making up losses in the cost of living isn't sufficient. The union's goal must be a decent standard of living.

Sizing up the present situation in the country and particularly the congressional drive against labor, Gold lauded Murray for his initiative for united action of all labor.

The labor movement will be seriously undermined if it fails to take heed of Murray's appeal, Gold warned, urging his union to be an active force in support of Murray's call.

"When they whine that the trade unions are monopolies," said Gold, "their real intent is to deprive the workers of their constitutional right

to organize, and to enact legislation that would enable the monopolists and their courts to destroy the economic, political and cultural activities of the labor movement."

Gold also reported on the recent CIO convention that was held in this city and expressed satisfaction over defeat of those who wanted to split it by a policy of redbaiting and expulsion of left-wingers. This policy would "inevitably destroy the effectiveness of the CIO as the progressive organization of American labor," Gold said, and would kill united labor action against reaction.

Gen. Kenney Asks Army, Navy Merger

Gen. George C. Kenney, commanding general of the strategic air command, said last night, the present peace is peace in name only, and pleaded for unification of the Army and Navy to strengthen U.S. military might, according to a UP dispatch from Miami.

"The world is nominally at peace today for the first time in a decade," Kenney said in an address to the Century Club, "but we know that peace is as yet little more than superficial armistice."

Kenney stressed preparation for transpolar warfare. "It does not take much imagination to see an avalanche of devastation launched across the polar basin," he declared.

Hear John Williamson on the Trade Unions and the fight for peace—Come to the Lenin Memorial Meeting.



by BARNARD RUBIN

THE motion picture industry, 'tis said, has put in a bid for ex-Secretary of State Byrnes' services.

The State Department's activities in behalf of the movie monopolists have shown a marked resemblance to the services rendered American oil, financial and other big business interests.

The dollar diplomacy deals in France and other impoverished countries, squeezing out the native producers for the benefit of the Wall Street controlled Hollywood magnates, made fortunes for the latter. (At the expense, however, of our international prestige. Native populations and movie workers are incensed at the cheap, and usually chauvinistic Hollywood drive forced down their throats).

Also resented is the fact that the State Department, while acting as the film financiers' agent on every foreign film deal, does so in a much more aggressive and offensive manner than any company employe would dare. . . .



TOWN TALK

THOMAS WOLFE's novel, *The Web and the Rock*, is being dramatized by Lester Cohen, Ann Alexander, Robert Fryer and Richard Aldrich sharing the production headaches. . . .

Henry Morgan to do a guest spot on the *Take It or Leave It* radio show this coming Sunday. . . .

The current impetigo epidemic, which has been hitting new born babies, has resulted in hospitals sending confinement cases home after only five days of hospitalization. . . .

The Customs Bureau has, till now, refused clearance to the film footage that Herb Kline brought back from Palestine. Kline has some terrific shots on Britain's brutal treatment of the Jews, and other nice aspects of Britain's "Labor" government's imperialism. . . .

An old-time actor who used to have many run-ins with the late Sam Shubert was observed staring at a portrait of him in a Broadway theatre. Elliot Sullivan, the spoof-magician, passing by, swears he heard the actor mutter "He should drop dead." . . .

Howard K. Smith, liberal CBS London commentator, has found that he's being given exceptional treatment by his network. He's the only commentator whose scripts are not made available to listeners who write in asking for them. . . .

That affair of the American Veterans Committee's Theatre Chapter, previously itemed here, has been postponed to the 20th. That's when they'll award prizes to theatre people who have led the fight against racial discrimination. The Alvin Theatre, at midnight. . . .

State Department people, are probably wishing they had never started it—the Department's movie on trade unions, for distribution overseas. Now they're walking a tight rope and trying to straddle the issues involved—all at the same time. (How do you like your metaphors?) . . .

Paramount rewarding Howard da Silva for his work in *The Lost Weekend* and *Two Years Before the Mast* by starring him in *Blaze at Noon*. High priced cast also includes Anne Baxter, William Holden and Sonny Tufts. . . .

Pete Cacchione slated for the City Council's powerful General Welfare Committee at the next general session. . . .

SUNRAYS THRU FINIAN'S RAINBOW

A pot of gold to the mixed cast of Finian's Rainbow.

In the hustle and bustle of the show's preparatory period some of the skits, hastily written, were resented by the Negro actors because of their Hallelujah! characteristics. However, the white writers and members of the cast were extremely cooperative, listened respectfully to the criticism—and made the necessary changes. The Negro actors, suspicious at first, now are playing their parts the way they like. . . .

Ella Logan, starring in the show, would have preferred to have taken easier engagements which were available to her on the radio etc., as she's been quite ill. (Ella picked up malaria during wartime when she was entertaining the boys overseas).

But her belief in *Finian's Rainbow* is so strong that she's gone on, on at least one occasion, with 103 degree temperature. . . .

FOR A CHANGE

CBS commentator in Berlin, Richard C. Hottelet cabled Ted Church, head of that network's newsroom, asking for a regular 15-minute daily broadcast. Hottelet, who is a notorious reactionary in the field, was turned down.

One of Hottelet's anti-Russian broadcasts had been so outrageous and slanderous that the resultant protests from listeners impressed even the network moguls. As a result, Hottelet has, so far, been restricted to about one broadcast a week.

There's a lesson there, somewhere. . . .

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Fay Only Tried to Stop 'Labor Trouble,' Court Is Told

NEWARK, N. J., Jan. 13.—Joseph S. Fay, AFL building construction union chief accused of evading \$118,879 in income tax payments, was pictured as a "peace emissary" trying to head off labor trouble as his defense opened today before an 11-person jury in federal court.

John W. McGeehan, Jr., chief defense counsel for Fay, told the jury Fay received money from contractors to use in fighting attempts by rival union leaders to "disrupt" work on a huge New York city water supply project.

Fay was doing "something for the mutual benefit of both contractors and laborers" rather than lining his own pockets, McGeehan argued in outlining his defense. The union chief never personally benefitted from any funds paid him by contractors, McGeehan claimed.

LaG. Charges Envoys Meddle In Poland

Fiorello H. LaGuardia charged in a radio broadcast Sunday night that ambassadors of foreign countries are meddling in the election campaigns now going on in Poland. Speaking over radio station WJZ, LaGuardia said:

"We know that some ambassadors of foreign countries are taking an active part in the political affairs of Poland." He mentioned Victor Cavendish-Bentinck, ambassador from Britain, and U. S. Ambassador Arthur Bliss Lane. The latter, he said, should return home if he wants to be active politically.

The press, LaGuardia said, has been unfair to the new coalition government, and added that "12 election board chairmen have been murdered recently" by opponents of the government.

The Polish elections, which will take place this Sunday, are "an international situation of great importance," he said, pointing out that the vote will be the first under an agreement of the Big Four.